

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 65th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: Chair Nancy Ballance, on March 28, 2017 at 10:00 A.M., in Room 102 Capitol

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Nancy Ballance, Chair (R)
Rep. Randy Brodehl, Vice Chair (R)
Rep. Kelly McCarthy, Vice Chair (D)
Rep. Dan Bartel (R)
Rep. Tom Burnett (R)
Rep. Rob Cook (R)
Rep. Mike Cuffe (R)
Rep. Kimberly Dudik (D)
Rep. Janet Ellis (D)
Rep. Carl Glimm (R)
Rep. Bradley Hamlett (D)
Rep. Kenneth L. Holmlund (R)
Rep. Mike Hopkins (R)
Rep. Donald W. Jones (R)
Rep. Jim Keane (D)
Rep. Jon A. Knokey (R)
Rep. Ryan Lynch (D)
Rep. Jimmy Patelis (R)
Rep. Rae Peppers (D)
Rep. Marilyn Ryan (D)
Rep. Brad Tschida (R)
Rep. Tom Woods (D)

Members Excused: None

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Julie Johnson, Legislative Branch
Joe Triem, Legislative Branch
Sherri Row, Committee Secretary

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HB 265, 3/27/2017; HB 660, 3/27/2017
Executive Action on: HB 660; HB 265; HB 118; HB 136; HB 645

00:01:13 Chair Ballance
00:02:17 Rep. Cuffe
00:02:19 Chair Ballance
00:02:19 Vice Chair Brodehl left the meeting

HEARING ON HB 265

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:03:22 Rep. Mary Ann Dunwell (D), HD 84, opened the hearing on HB 265, Create a school suicide prevention competitive grant program.

Proponents' Testimony:

00:11:56 John Ilgenfritz, Self

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

00:14:07 Rep. Tschida
00:15:07 Rep. Dunwell
00:15:47 Rep. Cuffe
00:16:39 Rep. Dunwell
00:17:25 Rep. Dudik
00:18:31 Rep. Dunwell
00:19:13 Rep. Woods

Closing by Sponsor:

00:19:49 Rep. Dunwell

HEARING ON HB 660

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

00:20:30 Rep. Jennifer Eck (D), HD 79, opened the hearing on HB 660, Revise lodging facility use tax to construct MHC.

[EXHIBIT\(aph64a01\)](#)

Proponents' Testimony:

00:26:32 Director Bruce Whittenberg, Montana Historical Society

[EXHIBIT\(aph64a02\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph64a03\)](#)

00:33:39 Lt. Governor Mike Cooney
00:37:21 Dick Anderson, Dick Anderson Construction
00:40:06 Crystal Shors, Board of Trustees Montana Historical Society
00:41:03 Ronda Wiggers, Helena Chamber of Commerce
00:43:48 Chere Jiusto, Montana Preservation Alliance
00:49:54 Eric Feaver, MEA-MFT
00:50:37 Cary Hegreberg, Montana Contractors Association (MCA)

00:52:00 Denise King, Montana Historical Society

[EXHIBIT\(aph64a04\)](#)

00:54:10 Brian Obert, Montana Business Assistance Connection

Opponents' Testimony:

00:56:27 Stuart Doggett, Montana Lodging and Hospitality Association (MLHA)

01:03:48 Wiley Barker, Montana Lodging and Hospitality Association (MLHA)

[EXHIBIT\(aph64a05\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph64a06\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(aph64a07\)](#)

01:08:19 Rep. Patelis left the meeting

Informational Testimony:

01:10:54 Jennifer Olson, Department of Commerce (DOC)

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:11:39 Rep. Knokey

01:13:42 Rep. Eck

01:14:01 Rep. Cuffe

01:15:36 Bruce Whittenberg, MHS

01:16:06 Rep. Burnett

01:16:44 Cary Hegreberg, MCA

01:17:21 Rep. Burnett

01:18:17 Rep. Eck

01:19:13 Chair Ballance

01:19:27 Rep. Eck

01:19:32 Rep. Burnett

01:20:04 Stuart Doggett, MLHA

01:21:22 Rep. Burnett

01:21:30 Rep. Woods

01:23:47 Wiley Barker, MLHA

01:24:28 Rep. Jones

01:25:05 Bruce Whittenberg, MHS

01:25:32 Rep. Jones

01:26:49 Rep. Eck

01:27:06 Rep. Tschida left the meeting

01:27:14 Joe Triem, Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD)

01:28:42 Rep. Jones

01:28:46 Joe Triem, LFD

01:29:56 Rep. Jones

01:30:32 Rep. Holmlund

01:33:44 Bruce Whittenberg, MHS

01:34:03 Rep. Cook

01:34:22 Bruce Whittenberg, MHS

01:35:18 Rep. Jones

01:36:23 Bruce Whittenberg, MHS

01:36:26 Rep. Jones

01:37:10 Wiley Barker, MLHA

01:37:57 Rep. Dudik
01:38:27 Cary Hegreberg, MCA
01:39:22 Rep. Dudik
01:40:42 Rep. Eck
01:41:00 Rep. Dudik
01:41:21 Bruce Whittenberg, MHS
01:41:55 Rep. Dudik
01:42:22 Rep. Eck
01:42:42 Rep. Hamlett
01:44:37 Rep. Eck
01:45:03 Rep. Hamlett
01:45:33 Lt. Governor Cooney
01:47:07 Rep. Hamlett
01:48:08 Dick Anderson, Dick Anderson Construction
01:48:44 Rep. Hamlett
01:50:48 Wiley Barker, MLHA

Closing by Sponsor:

01:51:13 Rep. Eck

01:52:30 Chair Ballance
01:52:35 Rep. Dudik, Rep. Lynch and Rep. Cuffe left the meeting

01:52:46 Rep. Cook
01:53:29 Rep. Hamlett
01:54:11 Vice Chair McCarthy
01:55:27 Rep. Hopkins
01:56:07 Chair Ballance

01:56:16 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ballance moved that **HB 136 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**
Motion carried 16-0 by voice vote. Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Cuffe, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida were excused.

01:57:06 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ballance moved that **HB 645 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**
Motion carried 15-1 by voice vote with Rep. D. Jones voting no. Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Cuffe, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida were excused.

01:57:31 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Ballance moved that **HB 658 BE REMOVED FROM TABLE.**
Motion failed 7-9 by roll call vote with Rep. Ellis, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. McCarthy, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Ryan and Rep. Woods voting aye. Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Cuffe, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida were excused.

02:00:47 Recessed
02:10:33 Reconvened - with Vice Chair Brodehl, Rep. Dudik, Rep. Cuffe, and Rep. Lynch present

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 136

02:10:45 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 136 DO PASS**.

02:10:51 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Cook moved that **HB 136 BE AMENDED**. Motion carried 19-3 by voice vote with Rep. Bartel, Rep. Dudik and Rep. Knokey voting no. Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy.

EXHIBIT(aph64a08)

02:12:10 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 136 DO PASS AS AMENDED**. Motion carried 17-5 by voice vote with Rep. Bartel, Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Burnett, Rep. Glimm and Rep. Knokey voting no. Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 265

02:13:14 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 265 DO PASS**. Motion failed 8-14 by roll call vote with Rep. Dudik, Rep. Ellis, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Peppers, Rep. Ryan and Rep. Woods voting aye. Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy.

02:14:49 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 265 BE TABLED**. Motion carried 16-6 by roll call vote with Rep. Ellis, Rep. Hamlett, Rep. Keane, Rep. Lynch, Rep. Peppers and Rep. Woods voting no. Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 645

02:16:33 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 645 DO PASS**. Motion carried 18-4 by roll call vote with Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Burnett, Rep. Glimm and Rep. Patelis voting no. Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy.

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 660

02:17:58 **Motion/Vote:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 660 DO PASS**. Motion carried 14-8 by roll call vote with Rep. Ballance, Rep. Brodehl, Rep. Burnett, Rep. Glimm, Rep. Holmlund, Rep. D. Jones, Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida voting no. Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy.

02:19:32 Rep. Cook

02:19:37 Chair Ballance

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 118

02:19:43 **Motion:** Rep. Brodehl moved that **HB 118 DO PASS.**

Discussion:

02:19:59 Rep. Cook

02:20:26 **Vote:** Motion carried 21-1 by voice vote with Rep. Burnett voting no. Rep. Patelis and Rep. Tschida voted by proxy.

02:20:49 Rep. Cuffe

02:21:00 Chair Ballance

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 02:21:14

Sherri Row, Secretary

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Additional Documents:

EXHIBIT([aph64aad.pdf](#))